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THE GREAT AIR-SHIP.

THE COURIER.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 1860

East Saginaw Bureau.

A meeting of the Lyceum will be held at Pease's Hall, in this City, next Thursday Evening at 7 P.M.

QUESTION FOR DEBATE.

Is attachment to party necessary to consistency in politics?

Speaker to volunteer on either side. Time limit 15 minutes.

Citizens generally are respectfully invited to attend.

C. H. T. & Co., Attorneys.

Death of Hon. Norman Little.

Tuesday morning last, about 5 o'clock, the Hon. NORMAN LITTLE arose as usual.

It was contrary to his usual custom, immediately quitted his residence and went out into the street. His absence from breakfast caused no especial uneasiness to his family; but not returning to dinner, caused considerable anxiety as to his whereabouts.

Began to be felt, and fears were entertained that in a moment of temporary alteration of mind—to which he has been frequently subject of late—he might have met with some accident, or designedly done some injury to himself. Diligent enquiry developed nothing concerning him except that about 8 o'clock, A. M., he had been met by several of his friends and acquaintances whom he had passed in the street without apparently recognizing.

General alarm for his safety now became general among our citizens, and late in the afternoon it was ascertained that an overcoat had been found in the morning about

8 o'clock, on the Steam Flouring Mill dock, by the Engineer of the Mill, which

is associated in the minds of the democratic party, with the "irrepressible conflict" doctrine of Seward's Rochester speech.

A weapon is thus placed in the hands of the democratic newspapers and orators which they are already using with damaging effect against the Republican party.

While the democrats are prompt to seize this advantage, the republicans are

fully aware of the important political bearing of the affair at Harper's Ferry.

They could not prevail upon them to

name the day, nor the hour, when the

overcoat was found, so as to give the

democrats time to make their accusations.

The upper portion of the balloon is ex-

panded to its full breadth, and already

rises several feet higher than the fence

that surrounds Reservoir square; so the

outsiders who look through the opening

in the boards can really see something

within, and their number is largely in-

creased. Yesterday, when the gas was

shut off, there were 60,000 feet of the

buoyant element within the balloon. It

will not be inflated to its full extent until

it starts on its voyage, and none but those

who accompany it will ever see its pro-

portions fully expanded. Between 500,000

and 600,000 cubic feet of carbureted hy-

drogen will be conducted into the air-bag

before it leaves the earth, but the volume

of the fluid will increase as it ascends un-

till the envelope is entirely distended.—

Prof. Lowe is personally superintending

the work of inflation, and is constant

on the ground. He is, of course, the

centre of attraction. During Tuesday—

the day on which the inflation commenced

—8,785 persons attended the exhibition

and yesterday about 5,000 were admitted.

The visitors are as respectable in appear-

ance as in numbers; they obey implicitly

the injunction to stay without the rope

barrier which divides the space set apart

for the spectators from that appropriated

to the balloon and its appurtenances.—

Several policemen are stationed on the

premises to preserve order; their task has

been a very easy one. The precise day

of Prof. Lowe's departure is not fixed.

But he gives every assurance that he will

go, and appears to entertain little doubt

that he will reach the other side of the

Atlantic. At the same time, he confesses

that the exact spot on the other side at

which he will descend cannot be calculat-

ed with any degree of certainty.

WENDELL PHILLIPS.

New York, Nov. 2.

Wendell Phillips, of Boston, delivered a lecture last night in Brooklyn, in which he argued that John Brown was the only American who had acted up to the true American idea, cast aside all those false and fatal wrappings of an effete conservatism, and refused to regard anything a government or any statute as law except those which conformed with his own sense of justice and right. Virginia was not a state; Mr. Wise was not a Governor; the Union was not a nation. All these so-called governments were organized piracy, and John Brown was to-day the only real and true Governor on the soil of Virginia, and had an infinitely better right to hang Gov. Wise than Gov. Wise had to hang him.—He also said: "I think you can make a better use of iron than forging it into chains. If you must have the metal put it into Sharpe's rifles. It is a great deal better used that way than in fitters—a great deal better than a great clumsy statue of a false great man, for men to kneel down to and worship in a State House yard." Tom Corwin, of Ohio, was present and on the platform, and being called upon for a speech, said he was there merely by accident, and begged to be allowed to reflect upon what he had heard before giving his views upon the matter.

OLD FOGGISM.—Many of our readers doubtless remember instances of a class of extremely "old foggy" individuals—a class which, by the by, is now pretty much extinct—whose particular pride it was to say that they did "owe no man a dollar." As an example we cite the following notice cut from a number of the *St. Clements Patriot*, dated, —1812. Mr. P., father of Hosea Pratt Esq., of this City—was quite an old man at the date of the notice, and was an honest, upright, old fashioned individual, "one of the old ones." Whether Hosea would stand any such discount we cannot say.

Here is the notice, verbatim.

Hay! Hay!!

The subscriber has on hand a quantity of Hay, which he will sell for SPECIE for EIGHT Dollars per ton, and for all notes and accounts against the subscriber for SIX Dollars per ton. J. PRATT.

March 12th, 1842.

THE DETROIT COLLECTORSHIP.—We

want to say that there is not a Democrat in the 4th Congressional District but will rejoice at the appointment of ROBERT W. DAVIS, to the Detroit Collectorship. Mr. D. is a true Democrat, a man and a gentleman always, and we congratulate him on his receiving a position, though not by his own seeking, which he is so fully qualified to fill with honor and sentence will be a matter of some concern.—*Det. Tribune*.

THE CINCINNATI.—The letter writers for the New York Tribune, and sometimes the editors, have latterly taken every occasion to disparage and sneer at Edward Everett, but the critical editor is not only more decent, but is candid and eloquent.—There is an extract from a recent notice of the "Orations and Speeches," lately published by Little & Brown:

"With the lapse of years, the splendor of his oratory suffers no diminution.—Burke, and Johnson, and John Quincy Adams, in the decline of life, he bears on bolder wing his conceptions more glowing and original than those which marked his early career; his influence exhibits a new vividness and intensity, which his command of the resources of English expression, without any sacrifice of elegance or grace, leads him to a wider range, and a more lofty eminence."

NEW GOADS.—Sanborn & Tucker re-

ceived per Schooner *Hamlet* last Saturday

one of the Lake-Ocean craft, of Cleve-

land, was last month at Constantinople.

Her Captain writes that she entails any

of the sea-going craft; that there are no

particulars see advertisement. Messrs.

docks at Constantinople, and that big

and small and reliable business men

have the confidence of the entire com-

munity and we are happy to state, are doing

a "tip-top" business.

DETROIT CONNECTED WITH PORT HUENON.

The railroad between this city and

Port Huron is all completed and en-

gines have been passing over its entire

length for the past two or three days.

Workmen are busily engaged ballasting

it. It is to be formally opened on the

21st inst.—*Det. Tribune*.

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ITEMS.

From the Saginaw Valley Republican.

BANCROFT HOUSE, EAST SAGINAW.—

While at East Saginaw, one day last

week, we were shown through this magnificient Hotel, by the gentlemanly proprietor, Mr. Horns. It is pleasantly situated in the most business part of the city, and from the cupola at the top, a splendid view is presented of both the cities of East Saginaw and Saginaw.—No pains have been spared, either in the construction or furnishing of this house to make it the finest hotel in the West. The rooms are large and commodious, and furnished in the costliest manner. They are lighted with gas, and are heated with furnaces from the lower door. There are two bathing rooms, where guests can be accommodated with either a cold or warm bath at any hour. On the second floor is a Billiard room, where the lovers of this popular game can while away their leisure hours. In short, nothing seems wanting to make the stay of guests pleasant and agreeable. The entire cost of this house was about \$10,000.

ANSWER BULL BY MR. BULL.—The London Telegraph gravely states that in the United States, "among the candidates of the Democratic party for the Presidency, the most promising is Stephen A. Douglas, a black man, who for many years has conducted an abolition and emancipation paper, with signal success." Perhaps this writer, being posted, thought that John Brown's war would go black Fred into the White House; but it's no go this time.

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